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AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS

Claim 1 (currently amended): A nail ejector, comprising:

- a main body having an end provided with a mounting seat having a periphery formed with an annular locking groove and a plurality of positioning bores; [[and]]
- a shaft mounted in the main body and having a distal end protruded outward from the mounting seat;
- a connecting sleeve mounted on the main body and having an inside formed with a receiving chamber;

the connecting sleeve having an enlarged first end rotatably mounted on the mounting seat of the main body and a semi-circular second end having two opposite distal ends each formed with an elongated limit slot;

the first end of the connecting sleeve having a periphery formed with a plurality of through holes aligning with the locking groove of the mounting seat and having an outer wall formed with an annular retaining groove formed a plurality of positioning holes aligning with the positioning bores of the mounting seat;

a plurality of locking members each extended through a respective one of the through holes of the connecting sleeve and each rested on the locking groove of the mounting seat, so that the first end of the connecting sleeve is rotatably mounted on the mounting seat of the main body;

a plurality of positioning balls each movably mounted in a respective one of the positioning holes of the connecting sleeve and each detachably locked in a respective one of the positioning bores of the mounting seat, so that the first end of the connecting sleeve is positioned on the mounting seat of the main body temporarily;

an annular clastic plate mounted in the retaining groove of the connecting sleeve and urged on the positioning balls to position the positioning balls in the positioning holes of the connecting sleeve;

a nail magazine mounted on an end of the main body the connecting sleeve and having an end provided with a guide tube movably mounted in the receiving chamber of the connecting sleeve and formed with a shaft hole;

the shaft being movably mounted in the shaft hole of the guide tube which is located between the shaft and the connecting sleeve;

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the guide tube of the nail magazine having a periphery formed with two opposite limit blocks each slidably mounted in a respective limit slot of the connecting sleeve so that the connecting sleeve is movable linearly relative to the guide tube of the nail magazine.

Claim 2 (canceled)

Claim 3 (canceled)

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